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Patent Application Entitled: SEED GERMINATION AND  
PLANT SUPPORTING UTILITY  
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Sir:

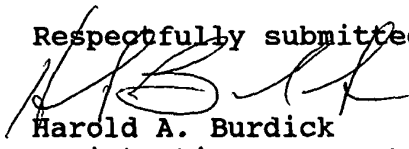
Enclosed herewith is a patent application with drawings  
(6 sheets) for the invention described hereinabove, which  
application is presented for filing.

Also enclosed is the Declaration and Power of Attorney  
together with a check (number 5243) for the filing fee of  
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